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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No. 1324

TACHIKAWA et al.

Art Unit: 2853

Application No.: 09/904,105

Examiner: NGUYEN, LAM S

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Attorney Dkt. No.: 107292-00023

For:

CHARGED-PARTICLE BEAM IRRADIATOR AND THERAPY SYSTEM

EMPLOYING THE SAME

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 19, 2005

Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time for one month for response to the outstanding Office Action dated October 20, 2004, from January 20, 2005 to April 20, 2005 (with one month having already been paid).

Please find attached a check in the amount of \$900.00 to cover the fee discussed above. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing docket number 107292-00023.

Respectfully submitted,

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